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**COVID-19 PROCUREMENT  
BULLETIN #2**

Today, the Manitoba government is doing a special request for gloves to support its preparation efforts.

The Manitoba government is urgently seeking the following items to support the province's response COVID-19:

- nitrile gloves, and
- vinyl gloves.

The province is specifically looking to purchase gloves and other medical supplies from the health and wellness industry. Businesses such as dentist offices, salons, therapy clinics or all other groups that are no longer using personal protective equipment are asked to contact the provincial government immediately to fulfil this need.

On April 3, to add to the Manitoba Protection Plan, the province announced the investment of more than \$100 million to accelerate the pace at which Manitoba is procuring essential medical supplies and equipment, hotel capacity and other critical needs to help prepare for COVID-19.

Manitoba manufacturers or businesses able to provide supplies or prepared to re-tool and rapidly scale up production lines to develop products made in Manitoba to help in the fight against COVID-19 can go to the online submission form at [www.manitoba.ca/covid19supplies](http://www.manitoba.ca/covid19supplies). Once visiting the site, businesses should wait to be contacted by the procurement office.

Shared Health has also issued a call to businesses who have personal protective equipment on hand. If the supplies are in original packaging, clean and in usable condition, and you are interested in donating the requested items, reach out by visiting <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/supply-donations/>. Drop-off locations exist across Manitoba

in Winnipeg, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Selkirk, Winkler and Steinbach.

For accurate, up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Manitoba, visit [www.manitoba.ca/covid19](http://www.manitoba.ca/covid19).

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For more information:

- Public information, contact Manitoba Government Inquiry: 1-866-626-4862 or 204-945-3744.
- Media requests for general information, contact Communications Services Manitoba: 204-945-3765.

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